

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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MIGRATION OF TECHNICALLY QUALIFIED INDIANS

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Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether thousands of Computer Engineers migrate from the country each year:
- (b) Is so, the approximate number of Indian students and other technically qualified Indians abroad at present, country-wise: and
- (c) The foreign exchange being earned annually by the country on account of remittances?

Answer

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (VAYALAR RAVI)

- (a): (a) A large number of Computer Engineers go overseas for employment each year.
- (b): The Protector General of Emigrants maintains data only of those emigrants who are Emigration Check Required (ECR) passport holders. Indian students and other technically qualified Indians do not fall under this category.
- (c): Based on the NASSCOM estimates, total exports (both IT software and services) amounted to US\$ 23.6 Billion in the year 2005-06.